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***LATE SUBMISSION OF DECLARATION UNDER 35 USC 371  
AND TRANSMITTAL OF ASSIGNMENT FOR RECORDING***

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified application, along with a copy of the Patent and Trademark Office's Notice of December 22, 2006. An assignment to 3M ESPE AG is also enclosed.

Authorization is hereby provided to charge any fee required in connection with this paper, including the \$130.00 fee under 37 CFR 1.492(h) for a surcharge for filing this late Declaration, to Deposit Account No. 13-3723. Please also

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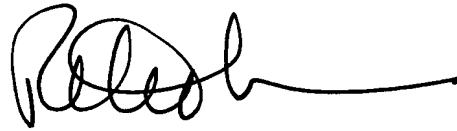
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charge the fee of \$40.00 for recording of the assignment, which is hereby requested, to the same deposit account.

A separate cover letter directed to the Assignment Branch is enclosed to which a copy of the assignment is attached.

Having now complied with all of the requirements of 35 USC 371, applicants respectfully request that this application be placed on the files for examination.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter L. Olson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 04/24/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 04/24/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 04/24/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 04/24/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 04/24/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 04/24/2006
- Specification filed on 04/24/2006
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- Drawings filed on 04/24/2006

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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity:

- **\$130** Surcharge.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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